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### **ABBREVIATIONS**

### CLASSIFICATION-

Size, A-Large (Exhibition) 8 inches and over.

B-Medium (Cutflower) 4 to 8 inches.

Ba—Ball or Show, 3½ inches and over.

M-Miniature, 4 inches and under.

M. Ba.—Miniature ball, 2 to 3½ inches.

### TYPE OF FLOWER-

Ba.—ball; C—Cactus; Coll.—Collarette; F.D.—Formal Decorative; I.D.—Informal Decorative; O.—Orchid Flowering; P.—Peony; Pom.—Pompon; S.C.—Semi-cactus; St. C.—Straight cactus.

#### COLOR-

Au.—Autumn; Bi—Bi-color; Lt. Bl.—Light Blend; O.-Bl.—Other Blend; Dk. Bl.—Dark Blend; L.—Lavender; Or.—Orange; Pk.—Pink; Pr.—Purple; R.—Red; Dk. R.—Dark Red; Lt. R.—Light Red; Var.—Variegated; W.—White; Y.—Yellow.

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	Autumn Sunglow-A. S.C. Bronze center darker. Very pretty	.50
114	Amy Byers-A. S.C. Y. Very tall, long stiff stems. 1949	.60
	A.D. Livoni-4 inch. Ba. Coral Pk. A great favorite.	.50
21	Alma Russel—A. I.D. White gold color. Wide petals. Choice	.60
	Annie McKay-B. F.D. Bright mauve pink. Charming	.50
77	Bonnie Blue-4 inch. Ba. Quite bluish, low plant.	.50
246	Baby Faunteneau-M. I.D. Bright rose	.50
	Betty Sutterland—M.C. Bright dk. pk. petal ends almost W	.50
41	B.A. Gritta—A. I.D. Scarlet striped yellow	.50
634	Bandana-A. S.C. Orchid with white tips. Choice.	.60
232	Ballad Girl—6 inch. C. Incurved long petals, bi-color, R.&W	
	Some flowers pure R or W., others half and half. Weak stems	.60
238		.55
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	Black Ball—4 inch Ba. The blackest of dahlias. \$2.00 ,my price	.70
	Charlie Quail—B. S.C. bl. y. r. Stripes of R&Y. Choice	.60
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138	Colorado—3 inch Coll. R. collar white.	.50
196	Cathleen Norris—A. I.D. pk. Wide, beautifully curled petals	.50
	Clayton Manning-4 in. F.D. Y. tinted pr. Abundant bloomer	.50
	Charles Deforest-6 in. I.D. Orchid, long full center, choice	.60
	Clara Purdy-5 in. C. Mauve pk. Abundant bloomer.	.50
	Commando—A. F.D. True phlox pr. has bluish cast. Low plant	.60
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396	Clara Carter-A. S.C. dk. pk. wide petals, low bush	.50
50	Cora Reedy— 5 in. F.D. wide petals, dk. pk. abundant bloomer	.50
30	Clara Taylor—A. C. bi-color, oxblood r. tinted magenta rose,	
	reverse of twisted petals, magenta-rose. R. with wips, some	
1//	flowers all R.	.50
	Carl Salbach—6 in. S.C. Best in the lavenders	.60
	Claudia Manning—B. S.C. Maroonish R. Very tall.	.50
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	David Pass—A. I.D. Bronzy Y. petals margined red. Very choice	.60
901	Douglas Manning—6 in. Very It. bl. r. y. F. D. wide petals.	.50
483	Dorthy Taylor—A. S.C. dk. purplish mauve, tall, new and choice	.60

638	Dreamer-A. I.D. Very tall W. Gold. Wide lacinated petals	.50
627	Darling—A. S.C. bl. buff, pr. edges of petals, pr. choice.	.60
	DWARF DAHLIAS ONE FOOT TALL	
D-1-	–4½ in. dk. r. inc. c. –4 in. F.D. dk. r. (Kate)	.60
D-2-	-4 in. F.D. dk. r. (Kate)	.60
D-4-	-1½ in. Single pk. Very early prolific bloomer.	.60
D-5	Nickie-4 in. S.C. Yellow	.60
389	Ericca—6 in. C. Long petals inc. Maroon.	.75
18/	Eber Yost—M. 4 in. I.D. dk. bronze, washed with gold.	.50
1/4	Ed Dwyer-6 in. F.D. bi-color, maroon, W. tips, best of class	.75
1/0	El Rubia-10 in. I. D. Very dk., velvety R.	.75
25/	<b>Ethel Mapes</b> —5 in. F.D. W. washed pr., ends of petals pr. choice	.50
1/9	Ethil Smith—A. I.D. Very It. y., tall, abundant bloomer	.50
153	Elsie Haggart-6 in C. bl. w. pk., long full center. Choice	.75
52	Evelyn Chandler—A. I.D. Burnt orange or golden apricot	.75
130	Eber Beauty-6 in Mum type, W. A. novelty, very pretty	.75
129	Same as 130 only pk. Both come from the same seed.	.75
463	Frank Ashley—M. Resembles a poinsettia. I. D. Crimson	.75
019	Friday-A. S.C. Wide petals, reflex, pr. toned Y. y. center	.60
85	Formality—A I.D. Lt. bl. pk. suffused autumn, \$3, my price	1.00
19	Frank Landis—A. F.D. Outstanding in dk. Y.	.50
100	Fama—A I.D. Outstanding Y.	.75
109	Ella Worthing—A. S.C. Very waxy salmon pk. center darker	.50
172	Fido—6 in. bi-color F.D. crimson, W. tips, some solid colors	.50
1/3	Fay Winchester—A. F.D. It. bronze in glistening color	.50
404	Fred Springer—Dwarf. 6 in. F.D. scarlet, fern-like foliage	.60
70	Frosty Morn—6 in. F.D. Yellow W. tips. Choice.	.75
164	Florence Widdop—6 in. F.D. old rose frosted, W. W. tips	.50
104	Goofie—6 in. F.D. dk. y. The leaves vary a lot in formation. It	
173	Gloria Daryl A. I.D. Same as Opal Barker only V. contar	.50
4/3	Glorie Daryl—A. I.D. Same as Opal Barker only Y. center	.50
149	Geo. Tyler—6 in. inc. C. Long narrow petals. Choice. Red.	.50
144	Genieve Scheltz—10 in. I.D. dk. mottled bronze. Y. center. Outer	.75
177	petals wide streaked yellow. Massive flower	.75
220	Granite Falls— 3 in. Coll. Bright red petals tipped white.	.50
414	Gladys Palmer—B. F.D. Thick heavy flower. Rosy buff	.60
297	Geneva—A. I.D. purplish pk. washed Y.	.75
237	Glamour—A. I.D. Pr. Very popular.	.75
294	Geo. Thompson—6 in. I.D. bl. pr. Y. center dk.	.50
431	Grey Dawn—A. S.C. W. washed pr. stylish flower.Center dk.	.75
907	Geo. Ester—6 in. inc. C. bright pk. toned W.	.75
31	Hunt's Velvet Wonder—A. I.D. 12 in. flower. Tyrian pr.	.75
625	H.C. Cactus-6 in. S.C. buff. Choice, novel.	.50
75	H.HA. S.C. Bronze, very choice.	.50
169	Jess Cavender-A. S.C. bl. y. pr. wide curly petals. Abundant	.75
629	Hip and Skip-A. I.D. orchid, very tall, long petals, novelty	.50

61	Joyce Wintterle-6 in. S.C. bl. y. r, sharp pointed curly petals	.75
90	John Bufford-A. Inc. C. bright scarlet, same color and formation	
	as Son of Satan, but far better formation	.00
650	Joy Lane-6 in. F. D. bi-color, dk. r. white tips. Flowers vary, some	
	solid colors, different colors on same plant.	.50
335	Joe Metcalf-6 in. S.C. Inc. dk. pk. yellow center.	.50
	Joan of Arc-6 in. Ba. pr. Outstanding. Late introduction.	.60
	Jasper Rose—A. I.D. purplish maroon.	.50
200	Jane Cowl—A. I.D. A warm buff and old gold, blending apricot	
200	and rose at the center. An old favorite.	.50
22	Jean Trimbee—A. S.C. petunia or orchid pr. long revolute petals	.75
	Kay Dawn—6 in. F.D. shell pink, thick heavy flower	.50
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	Klein—A. I.D. bl. y. r. You will love this one, pretty bl.	
	Kriemhilde-M.C. pk. white center. Wonderful cut-flower.	.50
	Lo Neil—A. I.D. scarlet with W. tips, flowers vary to solid	.50
428	Lorcene Chol—A. S.C. Solid pk. long petals, full center. Choice	.75
	Lillian Sipla—3 in. orange buff. (unwin) 20 in. tall. Rose style	.50
	Lt. A. L. Clark— 4 in., F.D. wide stiff petals, pure white.	.50
	Little Slam— 3 in. C. (Dwarf) It. pk. 20 in. tall.	.50
570	Miss San Diego—A. St. C. It. bl. L.W.Y. lacinated petals, Y.	
	centers. General color amaranth pink. Choice.	.75
925	Monday-6 in. I.D. bl. buff, pr, buff tips, pinfeathered	.50
	Mmd. Jussiant—B. Inc. C. clear pure true lavender. Choice	.75
	Mrs. J. Van Kees-6 in. I.D. R. toned Y. Full center. Choice	.60
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	Miss Eureka-A. Inc. C. peach color No other dahlia of the	
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467	Mary Churchill—4 in. Anemone. dk. R. Yellow crest, style of	
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457	Madaline Cherris—6 in. F.D. pr. Petal ends toned lavender	.50
	Mauve Star—4 in. Inc. C. rosy mauve. Wonderful cut-flower	.50
	Marie Barnheart—B. C. It. bl. Y. Pr. Choice cut-flower.	.75
	Maude Wood-6 in. S.C. dk. maroonish R. Great favorite.	.75
	Marrietta—4 in. (Anemone) Bright pk. Y. honey comb crest	.75
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262	Maffie—12 in. S.C. intense carmine or rose red.	.75
	Monarch of the East—12 in. F.D. It. rich cadmium Y. coral red	., 5
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321	Mrs. Edna Kram—A. C. white center, pk. Very choice	.75
210	Mrs. G. Manning—6 in. S.C. W. heavily overlaid pr. giving the	., 5
217	flower a decided blue cast. Choice	.60
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104	Mauve Carson—6 in. F.D. pk. mauve. Full thick flower slightly	.50
70	quilled. Very pretty.	
/2	Mrs. Grebell—A I.D. white wide petals almost formal dec. Good	.50
	Mareen Hale—5 in. F.D. It. bl. petals fluted, puckerd	.50
201	Nellie Austin—A. I.D. It. bl. petals fluted, puckered.	.50
	Opal Barker-6 in. SC. It. bl. R&Y. yellow center	.50
21/	<b>Peppermint</b> —6 in S.C. bi-color, Resembles peppermint candy	.75

176	Pink Supreme—A. F.D. bright, Resembles peppermint candy	.50
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644	Pilchuck Chief-A. S.C. maroonish scarlet, tall. Choice.	.75
	Queenie-4 in. F.D. thick heavy flower. W. overcast pr. Pretty	.50
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	Sellwood Glory-B.F.D. It. bl. pr.&W. Petals are stiff and thick,	
000	making it a very long-lasting cut-flower. Has won many trophies.	
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	cakes. It is the marvel of all my dahlias. A \$15 value 3	.50
53	Sonji Hynie—3 in. F.D. bl. y. & pr. A shade or blend that most all	
55	women visitors like, buy for floral arrangements. Thick flower	.50
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	Sonnett—M. Inc. C. bl. pr. & y. Wonderful cut-flower.	
	Sallie Mortimer—6 in. F.D. It. bluish orchid, petal points Y.	.50
401		.60
	Saturday—3 in. F.D. ½ Ba. blood-red. Abundant bloomer, low	.50
	Sunrise-6 in. S.C. buttercup Y. A must-have in yellow.	.60
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	curly. It is pretty, no foolin'.	.50
105	Susan Lynn-A. Inc. C. Coral pk., tips Y. A must-have even if the	۷.
004	stems are a little weak. It is beautiful.	.60
	Sandy Wood—A. I.D. maroonish oxblood R. Very choice.	.60
	Soldier Boy-4 in. C. blackish red.	.50
223	Lois Walcher-B. F.D. dk. pr. with W. tips.	٠,,
700	Superlative—6 in S.C. It. roseline pr. A very fine dahlia.	.60
	Shiek-B. Inc. C. It. bl. L&W. white center.	.60
89	Salvador-Min. C. 2½ in. bl. pr. & y. Flower straight up, very rigid	
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	Sweetheart—4 in. C. pk. An old time favorite in miniatures	.50
	Sandra Greyson—A. I.D. bl. W. & p. Very wide petals. Choice	.60
979	Tuesday—A. I.D. pk. toned a little yellow. Tall	.50
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	Thomas Edison—B. F.D.—Very dk. pr. Outsanding in color	.75
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	Tower's Empire—A. I.D. Autumn color. Fern-like foliage.	.50
632		.50
227	Virginia Rute—A. S.C. dk. R. Very popular.	.60
	Victoria—A. 10 in. F.D. Carmine rose. Base of petals Y.	.75
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434	Windlassie-6 in. I.D. W. Very deep flower, A. \$2.00 dahlia,	00

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68 Alabaster-A very early white of large size and substance. Slightly incurved and will grow 5 inches across when disbudded. Sept.

67 August Glory-Fine golden bronze, inc. Good sized blooms.

63 August Pink-Lovely shade of clear rich pink. Vigorous grower and nice large blooms.

60 August Red-Extra double early flowers in a nice shade of red.

56 Avalanche—Pure white, long pointed petals, 6 inch, bloom.

38 Daffodil-A glorous yellow, very free flowering.

22 Bronze Freda-Early and very large. Very popular.

46 Bell Mauve-Soft Amaranth rose.

76 Constancy-Large creamy white flower with reflexing form.

36 Cranford Beauty-A very early large, cream color, inc. Choice.

52 Commando—Solid bronze bloom of good size. Weather proof flowers.

51 Coppellia—A startling shade of Indian red that does not fade.

32 Crimson Splendor-A large deep rich crimson. Choice. 26 Conqueror—A lovely deep red on strong stiff stems.

31 Delia-Medium shade of rose pink, tall, very large full reflexed flowers.

48 Elite—Rose pink with a touch of buttercup pink at center and tips.

80 Fondane-Low plant, flower 3½ inches, bright pink, roundish, quilled.

33 Gold Standard—Early dark yellow, huge, does not fade. Choice.

55 Indiana-A large flower of tomato red.

50 Ivory—A good solid incurved for disbudding. Ivory white.

25 Lavender Lady-A large true rich lavender.

30 Leda—Pastel mauve with lighter shadings. Strong grower.

65 Lancer-Velvety crimson. Petals broad like a big zinnia.

85 Royal Bronze-Flower 5 inches, revolute quilled, dark Indian orange.

88 Mrs. S. S. Du Pont-Flower 3 inches, Egyptian buff. Prolific bloomer.

- 44 Mrs. T. Riley-An enormous white, reflex blooms, broad petals.
- 53 Mrs. Smeardon—Combination of old rose and bronze, slightly incurved.
- 58 Mrs. Mary Sutterland-Magnolia purple, silver reverse and tips, incurved.
- 15 May Bride—A dwarf plant, earliest of all. Flower 2 inches, maroonish red.
- 57 Mary Ann-Very large blooms with long rolled petals, orange cinnamon.
- 66 Precose Supreme—Purple and blooms thru the summer.
- 54 Purple Queen-Large rich purple of good growth.
- 37 Pink Beauty—Low grower, prolific bloomer on long, stiff stems. Flower 2 in., very dark pink, or rose color, very early.
- 29 Rose Primrose—Amaranth rose. 21/2 inches not disbudded.
- 62 Sunny Charm-A lovely large deep yellow. Very charming variety.
- 69 Salmon Precose—Lovely, rather low growing salmon pink. Large flowers.
- 14 Velveteen-Lovely variety, long stiff stems, wine-purple.
- 64 Wendy-A bright orange bronze. Abundant bloomer, straight stiff stems.
- 61 Yellow Wendy-A very bright yellow sport of Wendy. Stiff stems.
- 47 Zenith—A large solid purple of broad petals. 5 and 6 inches disbudded.
- 94 New Borough Pink-Large crimpy flat flowers of deep pink.

## **RAYONANTE CHRYSANTHEMUMS**

You will love this type of mum. They are very early blooming and 4 inches not disbudded. The flower is full double with very long narrow petals. They are all the same except in color and they come in buff, yellow, white and lavender. Same price as the English Hybrids. Number 34 is yellow, 20 is lavender, Patricia Grace; 24 is buff, Jean Howard; 59 is white, White Grace.

### **CUSHION CHRYSANTHEMUMS**

Same price as the English. They are very dwarf; prolific in bloom and very early to bloom. Order by number only if you want to.

- 87 Chippewa—Tall for a cushion, 2½ ft. Flower 2 in. solid purple. Flat.
- 90 Carnation—Flower looks like a carnation flower 1¾ inches; 20 in. tall. Color light Persian Rose, white tips, laciniated.
  - 89 Coral Pink-Flower 2 inches, 2 ft. tall. Blooms in huge sprays.
- 101 Yellow Striped Purple-Flower 4 inches, 2 ft. tall. Early incurved bloom.
  - 84 **Saffron Yellow**—Very low growing. Flower 3½ inches incurved and whirl. Petals wide. Choice.
  - 86 Silvery Pink-Very low growing; flower 1½ inches, very double.
- 102 Jon-Very low growing. Flower 2 inches, prolific bloomer, full dbl. flower and very early to bloom.
- 105 Starbright-Very low growing. 2-inch flower. Early, ameranth rose.
- 104 Soldier Boy-Low and slim. Flower 2 inches, dark yellow.
  - 93 **Cody**—One of the best cushions. 10 inches tall, 40 inches wide. Varies from white with lavender edges in July to glistening violet in cool weather. July and Oct.
  - 98 Early Joan Hellen-Early blooming violet col. cushion with Y center.
  - 95 Eternal New Snow-Erect little plants of early white. Aug.
  - 77 Heatherbloom-Low and bushy. Lge. strawberry pk. Very lovely. Aug.
  - 71 Lady Jane Clark-Low and bushy. A lovely lavender pink. Very early.
- 97 Quilled Cushion-Oriental red, cactus dahlia type. Sept. thru Oct.
- 99 Red Mound-Low and bushy. Button type flower, lavender rose, Aug.
- 92 Santy Claus-Large red double blooms with red centers. Aug.
- 100 **Sparkle**—One of the best new cushions. Very low and bushy, two-toned, orange scarlet and golden yellow. Aug.